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Amendment No. 13 to HB1781

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 349*

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by adding the following new sections immediately preceding the last section and by renumbering the subsequent sections accordingly:

SECTION __. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-32-224(a), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety, and by substituting instead the following language:

All health maintenance organizations doing business in this state shall pay tax on the gross amount of all dollars collected for or from an enrollee participating in the TennCare program or its successor program or any federal waiver received by the state that waives any or all of the provisions of title XIX or pursuant to any other federal law as adopted by amendment to the required title XIX state plan or on such enrollee's behalf in the amount of two percent (2%), and on all other enrollees or on all other enrollee's behalf in the amount of three and three-quarters percent (3.75%).

SECTION __. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-4-205(a)(1)(A), is amended by deleting the second sentence in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

Domestic life insurance companies shall pay a tax equal to one and three-fourths percent (1.75%) of gross premiums received from citizens of and residents of this state; however, with respect to all accident and health insurance policies, domestic life insurance companies shall pay a tax equal to three and one-half percent (3.5%) of all gross premiums received from citizens and residents of this state for such accident and health insurance policies.

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SECTION __. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-4-205(a)(1), is amended by deleting subdivision (B) and by substituting instead the following:

(B) For all succeeding calendar years, foreign life insurance companies shall pay a tax equal to one and three-fourths percent (1.75%) of gross premiums received from citizens of and residents of this state; however, with respect to all accident and health insurance policies, foreign life insurance companies shall pay a tax equal to three and one-half percent (3.5%) of all gross premiums received from citizens and residents of this state for such accident and health insurance policies.

SECTION __. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to that end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

SECTION __. The unnumbered sections of this act added by this amendment shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it and shall apply to all policies sold or renewed on or after September 1, 2001.